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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
Ruth A. GJERSET

Serial No.: 09/556,440

Filed: April 24, 2000

For: DOWN-REGULATION OF DNA REPAIR  
TO ENHANCE SENSITIVITY TO P53-  
MEDIATED SUPPRESSION

Group Art Unit: 1642

Examiner: B. Brumback

Atty. Dkt. No.: INRP:032--2/SLH

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 24, 2001

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Commissioner:

This is in response to the Office Action dated October 24, 2001, for which the three-month date for response was January 24, 2002. A request for a two-month extension of time to respond is included herewith along with the required fee. This two-month extension will bring the due date to March 24, 2002, which is within the six-month statutory period. No other fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this paper; however, should any other fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to these materials,